

April 8, 2005

# **ENGROSSED** SENATE BILL No. 281

DIGEST OF SB 281 (Updated April 7, 2005 7:59 pm - DI 58)

Citations Affected: IC 6-1.1; IC 20-1; IC 20-8.1; IC 20-26; IC 20-31; noncode.

Synopsis: Public school transfer program. Establishes a public school transfer program, allowing the parent of a student to request a transfer for the student to enroll in: (1) a different public school in the student's base school corporation; or (2) a public school in a different school corporation. Provides an allocation of public funds for transfer students between the base school corporation and the receiving school corporation, and provides that the parent is responsible for transportation and any additional costs. Allows school corporations to enter into an interlocal agreement under which students may attend school in another school corporation. Allows a student who has legal settlement in a school corporation and whose parent owns property for which the parent pays property tax in another school corporation to attend school in the school corporation in which the parent owns property without transfer tuition being charged. Requires a school corporation to provide notice to parents concerning the publication of the school corporation's annual performance report and concerning the (Continued next page)

Effective: January 1, 2005 (retroactive); July 1, 2005.

# Kenley, Lubbers

(HOUSE SPONSOR — BEHNING)

January 6, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Education and Career

February 17, 2005, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.
February 22, 2005, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.
February 23, 2005, engrossed.

March 1, 2005, read third time, passed. Yeas 33, nays 15.

HOUSE ACTION

March 8, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
March 29, 2005, amended, reported — Do Pass; roll call 337: yeas 50, nays 44.
April 7, 2005, read second time, amended, ordered engrossed.



# Digest Continued

right of students to transfer out of schools that fail to perform adequately. Provides an income tax credit for education expenditures for children enrolled in K-12 at a school of choice. Delays the credit for certain dependents to 2008. Defines school of choice to be: (1) a nonpublic school; or (2) a public school, if it is not the public school where the child has legal residence. Limits the credit amount per taxpayer and per family. Makes the credit refundable for certain taxpayers.





First Regular Session 114th General Assembly (2005)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2004 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

# ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 281

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-21-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:
- (a) "Taxpayer" means a person who is liable for taxes on property assessed under this article.
- (b) "Taxes" means property taxes payable in respect to property assessed under this article. The term does not include special assessments, penalties, or interest, but does include any special charges which a county treasurer combines with all other taxes in the preparation and delivery of the tax statements required under IC 6-1.1-22-8(a).
  - (c) "Department" means the department of state revenue.
- (d) "Auditor's abstract" means the annual report prepared by each county auditor which under IC 6-1.1-22-5, is to be filed on or before March 1 of each year with the auditor of state.
- (e) "Mobile home assessments" means the assessments of mobile homes made under IC 6-1.1-7.

1

2

3

4 5

6

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17







| 1  | (f) "Postabstract adjustments" means adjustments in taxes made       |
|----|--|
| 2  | subsequent to the filing of an auditor's abstract which change       |
| 3  | assessments therein or add assessments of omitted property affecting |
| 4  | taxes for such assessment year.                                      |
| 5  | (g) "Total county tax levy" means the sum of:                        |
| 6  | (1) the remainder of:  |
| 7  | (A) the aggregate levy of all taxes for all taxing units in a        |
| 8  | county which are to be paid in the county for a stated               |
| 9  | assessment year as reflected by the auditor's abstract for the       |
| 10 | assessment year, adjusted, however, for any postabstract             |
| 11 | adjustments which change the amount of the aggregate levy;           |
| 12 | minus  |
| 13 | (B) the sum of any increases in property tax levies of taxing        |
| 14 | units of the county that result from appeals described in:           |
| 15 | (i) IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(4) and IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(5) filed after          |
| 16 | December 31, 1982; plus  |
| 17 | (ii) the sum of any increases in property tax levies of taxing       |
| 18 | units of the county that result from any other appeals               |
| 19 | described in IC 6-1.1-18.5-13 filed after December 31,               |
| 20 | 1983; plus   |
| 21 | (iii) IC 6-1.1-18.6-3 (children in need of services and              |
| 22 | delinquent children who are wards of the county); minus              |
| 23 | (C) the total amount of property taxes imposed for the stated        |
| 24 | assessment year by the taxing units of the county under the          |
| 25 | authority of IC 12-1-11.5 (repealed), IC 12-2-4.5 (repealed),        |
| 26 | IC 12-19-5, or IC 12-20-24; minus                                    |
| 27 | (D) the total amount of property taxes to be paid during the         |
| 28 | stated assessment year that will be used to pay for interest or      |
| 29 | principal due on debt that:  |
| 30 | (i) is entered into after December 31, 1983;                         |
| 31 | (ii) is not debt that is issued under IC 5-1-5 to refund debt        |
| 32 | incurred before January 1, 1984; and                                 |
| 33 | (iii) does not constitute debt entered into for the purpose of       |
| 34 | building, repairing, or altering school buildings for which          |
| 35 | the requirements of IC 20-5-52 were satisfied prior to               |
| 36 | January 1, 1984; minus   |
| 37 | (E) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for the       |
| 38 | stated assessment year under the authority of IC 21-2-6              |
| 39 | (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a         |
| 40 | cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was initially       |
| 41 | established or reestablished for a stated assessment year that       |
| 42 | succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus                      |



| 1   | (F) the remainder of:   |     |
|-----|---|-----|
| 2   | (i) the total property taxes imposed in the county for the        |     |
| 3   | stated assessment year under authority of IC 21-2-6               |     |
| 4   | (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a      |     |
| 5   | cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was not          |     |
| 6   | initially established or reestablished for a stated assessment    |     |
| 7   | year that succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus         |     |
| 8   | (ii) the total property taxes imposed in the county for the       |     |
| 9   | 1984 stated assessment year under the authority of IC 21-2-6      |     |
| .0  | (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a      | - 1 |
| .1  | cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was not          |     |
| 2   | initially established or reestablished for a stated assessment    |     |
| .3  | year that succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus         |     |
| .4  | (G) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for the    |     |
| .5  | stated assessment year under:                                     |     |
| .6  | (i) IC 21-2-15 for a capital projects fund; plus                  | - ( |
| .7  | (ii) IC 6-1.1-19-10 for a racial balance fund; plus               | •   |
| . 8 | (iii) IC 20-14-13 for a library capital projects fund; plus       |     |
| .9  | (iv) IC 20-5-17.5-3 for an art association fund; plus             |     |
| 20  | (v) IC 21-2-17 for a special education preschool fund; plus       |     |
| 21  | (vi) IC 21-2-11.6 for a referendum tax levy fund; plus            |     |
| 22  | (vii) an appeal filed under IC 6-1.1-19-5.1 for an increase in    |     |
| 23  | a school corporation's maximum permissible general fund           |     |
| 24  | levy for certain transfer tuition costs; plus                     |     |
| 2.5 | (viii) an appeal filed under IC 6-1.1-19-5.4 for an increase      |     |
| 26  | in a school corporation's maximum permissible general fund        | _   |
| 27  | levy for transportation operating costs; minus                    | ,   |
| 28  | (H) the amount of property taxes imposed by a school              |     |
| 29  | corporation that is attributable to the passage, after 1983, of a | 1   |
| 30  | referendum for an excessive tax levy under IC 6-1.1-19,           |     |
| 51  | including any increases in these property taxes that are          |     |
| 32  | attributable to the adjustment set forth in IC 6-1.1-19-1.5 or    |     |
| 33  | any other law; minus  |     |
| 34  | (I) for each township in the county, the lesser of:               |     |
| 55  | (i) the sum of the amount determined in IC 6-1.1-18.5-19(a)       |     |
| 66  | STEP THREE or IC 6-1.1-18.5-19(b) STEP THREE,                     |     |
| 57  | whichever is applicable, plus the part, if any, of the            |     |
| 8   | township's ad valorem property tax levy for calendar year         |     |
| 19  | 1989 that represents increases in that levy that resulted from    |     |
| 10  | an appeal described in IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(4) filed after            |     |
| 1   | December 31, 1982; or   |     |
| 12  | (ii) the amount of property taxes imposed in the township for     |     |



| 1  | the stated assessment year under the authority of                        |  |
|----|--|--|
| 2  | IC 36-8-13-4; minus  |  |
| 3  | (J) for each participating unit in a fire protection territory           |  |
| 4  | established under IC 36-8-19-1, the amount of property taxes             |  |
| 5  | levied by each participating unit under IC 36-8-19-8 and                 |  |
| 6  | IC 36-8-19-8.5 less the maximum levy limit for each of the               |  |
| 7  | participating units that would have otherwise been available             |  |
| 8  | for fire protection services under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3 and                   |  |
| 9  | IC 6-1.1-18.5-19 for that same year; minus                               |  |
| 10 | (K) for each county, the sum of:   |  |
| 11 | (i) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for               |  |
| 12 | the repayment of loans under IC 12-19-5-6 (repealed) that is             |  |
| 13 | included in the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(a)                  |  |
| 14 | STEP SEVEN for property taxes payable in 1995, or for                    |  |
| 15 | property taxes payable in each year after 1995, the amount               |  |
| 16 | determined under IC 12-19-7-4(b); and                                    |  |
| 17 | (ii) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county                  |  |
| 18 | attributable to appeals granted under IC 6-1.1-18.6-3 that is            |  |
| 19 | included in the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(a)                  |  |
| 20 | STEP SEVEN for property taxes payable in 1995, or the                    |  |
| 21 | amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(b) for property taxes               |  |
| 22 | payable in each year after 1995; plus                                    |  |
| 23 | (2) all taxes to be paid in the county in respect to mobile home         |  |
| 24 | assessments currently assessed for the year in which the taxes           |  |
| 25 | stated in the abstract are to be paid; plus                              |  |
| 26 | (3) the amounts, if any, of county adjusted gross income taxes that      |  |
| 27 | were applied by the taxing units in the county as property tax           |  |
| 28 | replacement credits to reduce the individual levies of the taxing        |  |
| 29 | units for the assessment year, as provided in IC 6-3.5-1.1; plus         |  |
| 30 | (4) the amounts, if any, by which the maximum permissible ad             |  |
| 31 | valorem property tax levies of the taxing units of the county were       |  |
| 32 | reduced under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(b) STEP EIGHT for the stated               |  |
| 33 | assessment year; plus  |  |
| 34 | (5) the difference between:  |  |
| 35 | (A) the amount determined in IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(e) STEP FOUR;               |  |
| 36 | minus  |  |
| 37 | (B) the amount the civil taxing units' levies were increased             |  |
| 38 | because of the reduction in the civil taxing units' base year            |  |
| 39 | certified shares under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(e).                               |  |
| 40 | (h) "December settlement sheet" means the certificate of settlement      |  |
| 41 | filed by the county auditor with the auditor of state, as required under |  |
| 42 | IC 6-1.1-27-3.   |  |



| 1  | (i) "Tax duplicate" means the roll of property taxes which each         |
|----|---|
| 2  | county auditor is required to prepare on or before March 1 of each year |
| 3  | under IC 6-1.1-22-3.  |
| 4  | (j) "Eligible property tax replacement amount" is equal to the sum      |
| 5  | of the following:   |
| 6  | (1) Sixty percent (60%) of the total county tax levy imposed by         |
| 7  | each school corporation in a county for its general fund for a          |
| 8  | stated assessment year after the school corporation's gained            |
| 9  | student levy amount is added and the school corporation's lost          |
| 10 | student levy amount is subtracted.                                      |
| 11 | (2) Twenty percent (20%) of the total county tax levy (less sixty       |
| 12 | percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school              |
| 13 | corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) imposed in a     |
| 14 | county on real property for a stated assessment year.                   |
| 15 | (3) Twenty percent (20%) of the total county tax levy (less sixty       |
| 16 | percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school              |
| 17 | corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) imposed in a     |
| 18 | county on tangible personal property, excluding business personal       |
| 19 | property, for an assessment year.                                       |
| 20 | (k) "Business personal property" means tangible personal property       |
| 21 | (other than real property) that is being:                               |
| 22 | (1) held for sale in the ordinary course of a trade or business; or     |
| 23 | (2) held, used, or consumed in connection with the production of        |
| 24 | income.   |
| 25 | (l) "Taxpayer's property tax replacement credit amount" means the       |
| 26 | sum of the following:   |
| 27 | (1) Sixty percent (60%) of a taxpayer's tax liability in a calendar     |
| 28 | year for taxes imposed by a school corporation for its general fund     |
| 29 | for a stated assessment year.   |
| 30 | (2) Twenty percent (20%) of a taxpayer's tax liability for a stated     |
| 31 | assessment year for a total county tax levy (less sixty percent         |
| 32 | (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that     |
| 33 | is part of the total county tax levy) on real property.                 |
| 34 | (3) Twenty percent (20%) of a taxpayer's tax liability for a stated     |
| 35 | assessment year for a total county tax levy (less sixty percent         |
| 36 | (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that     |
| 37 | is part of the total county tax levy) on tangible personal property     |
| 38 | other than business personal property.                                  |
| 39 | (m) "Tax liability" means tax liability as described in section 5 of    |
| 40 | this chapter.   |
| 41 | (n) "General school operating levy" means the ad valorem property       |

tax levy of a school corporation in a county for the school corporation's



42

| 1  | general fund.   |
|----|---|
| 2  | (o) "Gained student" for a school corporation means a student           |
| 3  | who transfers into the school corporation (that is not the student's    |
| 4  | base school corporation) under IC 20-26-11.5.                           |
| 5  | (p) "Lost student" for a school corporation means a student             |
| 6  | who transfers out of the school corporation (that is the student's      |
| 7  | base school corporation) to another school corporation under            |
| 8  | IC 20-26-11.5.  |
| 9  | (q) "Per capita levy" for a school corporation means the total          |
| 10 | general fund levy of the school corporation divided by the ADM (as      |
| 11 | defined in IC 21-3-1.6-1.1) of the school corporation.                  |
| 12 | (r) "Gained student levy amount" means a school corporation's           |
| 13 | per capita levy multiplied by the number of gained students for the     |
| 14 | school corporation.   |
| 15 | (s) "Lost student levy amount" means a school corporation's             |
| 16 | per capita levy multiplied by the number of lost students for the       |
| 17 | school corporation.   |
| 18 | SECTION 2. IC 20-1-21-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS                           |
| 19 | FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 4. (a) Not earlier than          |
| 20 | January 15 or later than January 31 of each year, the governing body of |
| 21 | a school corporation shall publish an annual performance report of the  |
| 22 | school corporation, in compliance with the procedures identified in     |
| 23 | section 8 of this chapter. The report must be published one (1) time    |
| 24 | annually under IC 5-3-1.  |
| 25 | (b) The department shall make each school corporation's annual          |
| 26 | performance report available on the department's Internet web site. The |
| 27 | governing body of a school corporation may make the school              |
| 28 | corporation's annual performance report available on the school         |
| 29 | corporation's Internet web site.  |
| 30 | (c) The governing body of a school corporation shall:                   |
| 31 | (1) notify the parent of each student in the school corporation         |
| 32 | of the publication of the annual performance report; and                |
| 33 | (2) provide a copy of the annual performance report to any person       |
| 34 | who requests a copy. The governing body may not charge a fee            |
| 35 | for providing the copy.   |
| 36 | SECTION 3. IC 20-8.1-1-19 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE                  |
| 37 | AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY                     |
| 38 | 1, 2005]: Sec. 19. As used in this article, "dependent" has the         |
| 39 | meaning set forth in Section 152(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.       |
| 40 | SECTION 4. IC 20-8.1-1-20 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE                  |
| 41 | AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY                     |
| 42 | 1, 2005]: Sec. 20. As used in this article, "federal income poverty     |



| 1  | level" means the federal income poverty level for the taxpayer's     |
|----|--|
| 2  | household using the poverty guidelines updated periodically by the   |
| 3  | United States Department of Health and Human Services under the      |
| 4  | authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2).                                      |
| 5  | SECTION 5. IC 20-8.1-1-21 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE               |
| 6  | AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY                  |
| 7  | 1, 2005]: Sec. 21. As used in this article, "qualified education     |
| 8  | expenditures" means expenditures made by a taxpayer during the       |
| 9  | twelve (12) month period beginning July 1 and ending June 30 of      |
| 10 | the taxable year for a dependent with respect to a school of choice  |
| 11 | for any of the following:  |
| 12 | (1) Fees for academic tuition or instruction.                        |
| 13 | (2) If the dependent is not enrolled in a school that charges        |
| 14 | tuition, expenditures for computer software, textbooks,              |
| 15 | workbooks, curricula, school supplies other than personal            |
| 16 | computers, and other written materials used primarily for            |
| 17 | academic instruction and for academic tutoring.                      |
| 18 | (3) Expenditures for transporting the dependent to and from          |
| 19 | the school of choice in which the dependent is enrolled,             |
| 20 | excluding transportation for extracurricular activities.             |
| 21 | SECTION 6. IC 20-8.1-1-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE               |
| 22 | AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY           |
| 23 | 1, 2005]: Sec 22. As used in this article, "school of choice" means: |
| 24 | (1) a nonpublic school (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-3); or            |
| 25 | (2) a public school (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-2) in which a        |
| 26 | dependent is enrolled but that is not the dependent's school of      |
| 27 | legal settlement for purposes of the general school tuition          |
| 28 | support formula.   |
| 29 | SECTION 7. IC 20-8.1-1-23 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE               |
| 30 | AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY           |
| 31 | 1, 2005]: Sec. 23. As used in this article, "taxpayer" means:        |
| 32 | (1) an individual who is; or   |
| 33 | (2) an individual and the individual's spouse, in the case of a      |
| 34 | joint return, who are;   |
| 35 | subject to the adjusted gross income tax.                            |
| 36 | SECTION 8. IC 20-8.1-6.1-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA                 |
| 37 | CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS                      |
| 38 | [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 0.5. This chapter does not apply      |
| 39 | to a student who under:  |
| 40 | (1) section 14 or 15 of this chapter; or                             |
| 41 | (2) the public elementary and secondary school transfer              |
| 42 | program (IC 20-8.1-16);  |



| 1  | attends a public school that is outsi     | de the school corporation in      |  |
|----|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| 2  | which the student has legal settlemen     | ıt.                               |  |
| 3  | SECTION 9. IC 20-8.1-6.1-3 IS             | AMENDED TO READ AS                |  |
| 4  | FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY                | 1, 2005 (RETROACTIVE)]:           |  |
| 5  | Sec. 3. (a) A school corporation may      | accept a transferring student     |  |
| 6  | without approval of the transferor corp   | oration under section 2 of this   |  |
| 7  | chapter.                                  |                                   |  |
| 8  | (b) No transfer may, however, be a        | accepted unless the requesting    |  |
| 9  | parents or student pays transfer tuition  | n an amount determined under      |  |
| 10 | the formula established in section 8 of   | this chapter for the payment of   |  |
| 11 | transfer tuition by a transferor scho     | ol corporation. However, the      |  |
| 12 | transferee school shall not offset the am | ounts described in section 8(b)   |  |
| 13 | STEP TWO (B) through section 8(b) S       | STEP TWO (D) of this chapter      |  |
| 14 | from the amount charged to the reques     | ting parents or student.          |  |
| 15 | (c) This tuition shall be paid by the p   | arents or the student before the  |  |
| 16 | end of the school year in such installmen | its as the transferee corporation |  |
| 17 | determines.                               |                                   |  |
| 18 | (d) Failure to pay any installment is     | s a ground for exclusion from     |  |
| 19 | school.                                   |                                   |  |
| 20 | (e) Except as provided in subsect         | ion (f), a taxpayer making a      |  |
| 21 | payment with respect to a dependent       | under this section is entitled    |  |
| 22 | to a credit against the adjusted gross    | income tax imposed by IC 6-3      |  |
| 23 | for the taxable year. The credit to wh    | ich the taxpayer is entitled is   |  |
| 24 | the lesser of the tuition paid under the  | _                                 |  |
| 25 | (1) For a student who is a men            | nber of a household with an       |  |
| 26 | annual household income that i            | s not more than one hundred       |  |
| 27 | seventy-five percent (175%) of            | the federal income poverty        |  |
| 28 | level, the lesser of the following        | amounts:                          |  |
| 29 | (A) per student:                          |                                   |  |
| 30 | Taxable Year Ending In                    | Amount                            |  |
| 31 | 2006 and 2007                             | \$1,000                           |  |
| 32 | 2008 and 2009                             | \$1,500                           |  |
| 33 | 2010 and 2011                             | \$2,000                           |  |
| 34 | 2012 and 2013                             | \$2,500                           |  |
| 35 | 2014 and thereafter                       | \$3,000                           |  |
| 36 | (B) per taxpayer:                         |                                   |  |
| 37 | Taxable Year Ending In                    | Amount                            |  |
| 38 | 2006 and 2007                             | \$2,000                           |  |
| 39 | 2008 and 2009                             | \$3,000                           |  |
| 40 | 2010 and 2011                             | \$4,000                           |  |
| 41 | 2012 and 2013                             | \$5,000                           |  |
| 12 | 2014 and thereafter                       | \$6,000                           |  |



| 1  | (2) For a student who is a men                              | nber of a household with an                           |  |  |
|----|---|---|--|--|
| 2  | annual household income that                                | annual household income that is more than one hundred |  |  |
| 3  | seventy-five percent (175%) but not more than three hundred |   |  |  |
| 4  | fifty percent (350%) of the fede                            | eral income poverty level, the                        |  |  |
| 5  | lesser of following amounts:                                |   |  |  |
| 6  | (A) per student:  |   |  |  |
| 7  | Taxable Year Ending In                                      | Amount  |  |  |
| 8  | 2006 and 2007   | <b>\$0</b>  |  |  |
| 9  | 2008 and 2009   | \$500   |  |  |
| 10 | 2010 and 2011   | \$1,000   |  |  |
| 11 | 2012 and 2013   | \$1,500   |  |  |
| 12 | 2014 and thereafter   | \$2,000   |  |  |
| 13 | (B) per taxpayer:   |   |  |  |
| 14 | Taxable Year Ending In                                      | Amount  |  |  |
| 15 | 2006 and 2007   | <b>\$0</b>  |  |  |
| 16 | 2008 and 2009   | \$1,000   |  |  |
| 17 | 2010 and 2011   | \$2,000   |  |  |
| 18 | 2012 and 2013   | \$3,000   |  |  |
| 19 | 2014 and thereafter   | \$4,000   |  |  |
| 20 | (3) For a student who is a men                              | nber of a household with an                           |  |  |
| 21 | annual household income that                                |   |  |  |
| 22 | fifty percent (350%) of the fede                            | • •   |  |  |
| 23 | taxpayer is not entitled to a cre                           |   |  |  |
| 24 | The credit amount under this su                             | _   |  |  |
| 25 | dependent is reduced by any credit                          | amount with respect to other                          |  |  |
| 26 | dependents under subsection (f).                            |   |  |  |
| 27 | (f) A taxpayer making a paymen                              |   |  |  |
| 28 | under this section for the school yea                       | _   |  |  |
| 29 | a credit against the adjusted gross in                      | -   |  |  |
| 30 | for taxable years beginning with 20                         |   |  |  |
| 31 | taxpayer is entitled is the lesser of                       | the tuition paid under this                           |  |  |
| 32 | section or the following:                                   |   |  |  |
| 33 | (1) For a student who is a mer                              |   |  |  |
| 34 | annual household income that i                              |   |  |  |
| 35 | seventy-five percent (175%) of                              |   |  |  |
| 36 | level, the lesser of the following                          | amounts:  |  |  |
| 37 | (A) per student:  |   |  |  |
| 38 | Taxable Year Ending In                                      | Amount  |  |  |
| 39 | 2008 and 2009   | \$1,000   |  |  |
| 40 | 2010 and 2011   | \$1,500   |  |  |
| 41 | 2012 and 2013   | \$2,000   |  |  |
| 42 | 2014 and 2015   | \$2,500   |  |  |



| 1  | 2016 and thereafter                      | \$3,000                            |   |
|----|--|------------------------------------|---|
| 2  | (B) per taxpayer:                        |                                    |   |
| 3  | Taxable Year Ending In                   | Amount                             |   |
| 4  | 2008 and 2009                            | \$2,000                            |   |
| 5  | 2010 and 2011                            | \$3,000                            |   |
| 6  | 2012 and 2013                            | \$4,000                            |   |
| 7  | 2014 and 2015                            | \$5,000                            |   |
| 8  | 2016 and thereafter                      | \$6,000                            |   |
| 9  | (2) For a student who is a m             | ember of a household with an       |   |
| 10 | annual household income th               | at is more than one hundred        |   |
| 11 | seventy-five percent (175%) b            | ut not more than three hundred     |   |
| 12 | fifty percent (350%) of the fe           | deral income poverty level, the    |   |
| 13 | lesser of following amounts:             |                                    |   |
| 14 | (A) per student:                         |                                    |   |
| 15 | Taxable Year Ending In                   | Amount                             |   |
| 16 | 2008 and 2009                            | <b>\$0</b>                         |   |
| 17 | 2010 and 2011                            | \$500                              | U |
| 18 | 2012 and 2013                            | \$1,000                            |   |
| 19 | 2014 and 2015                            | \$1,500                            |   |
| 20 | 2016 and thereafter                      | \$2,000                            |   |
| 21 | (B) per taxpayer:                        |                                    |   |
| 22 | Taxable Year Ending In                   | Amount                             |   |
| 23 | 2008 and 2009                            | <b>\$0</b>                         |   |
| 24 | 2010 and 2011                            | \$1,000                            |   |
| 25 | 2012 and 2013                            | \$2,000                            |   |
| 26 | 2014 and 2015                            | \$3,000                            |   |
| 27 | 2016 and thereafter                      | \$4,000                            |   |
| 28 | (3) For a student who is a m             | ember of a household with an       | V |
| 29 | annual household income that             | nt is more than three hundred      |   |
| 30 | fifty percent (350%) of the fe           | deral income poverty level, the    |   |
| 31 | taxpayer is not entitled to a ci         |                                    |   |
| 32 | (g) If the amount of the credit          | provided by this section that a    |   |
| 33 | taxpayer uses during a particular t      | axable year exceeds the sum of     |   |
| 34 | the taxes imposed on the taxpayer        | · ·                                |   |
| 35 | after the application of all credits the |                                    |   |
| 36 | applied before the credit provided       | l by this section, the following   |   |
| 37 | apply:                                   |                                    |   |
| 38 | • •                                      | by subsection (e)(1), the excess   |   |
| 39 | shall be returned to the taxpa           | •                                  |   |
| 40 |  | y subsection (e)(2), fifty percent |   |
| 41 | ` '                                      | returned to the taxpayer as a      |   |
| 42 | refund.                                  |                                    |   |



| 1  | (3) If the taxpayer is covere         | d by subsection (e)(3), the           |   |
|----|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| 2  | taxpayer is not entitled to any o     | f the excess as a refund.             |   |
| 3  | (h) Acceptance by a taxpayer of a     | credit for qualified education        |   |
| 4  | expenditures for a dependent under    | this section does not provide         |   |
| 5  | any governmental entity or agency of  | of the state with jurisdiction,       |   |
| 6  | authority, or control over the depend | lent's educational provider.          |   |
| 7  | SECTION 10. IC 20-8.1-6.1-3.1 IS      |                                       |   |
| 8  | CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION 7        | TO READ AS FOLLOWS                    |   |
| 9  | [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 3.1    | . (a) This section applies to a       |   |
| 10 | taxpayer who has a dependent who ha   | as legal settlement in a school       | 4 |
| 11 | corporation located in Indiana.       |                                       |   |
| 12 | (b) Except as provided in subsection  | * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * | • |
| 13 | qualified education expenditures is e | ntitled to a credit against the       |   |
| 14 | adjusted gross income tax imposed b   | y IC 6-3 for the taxable year.        |   |
| 15 | The credit to which the taxpayer is   | entitled is the lesser of the         |   |
| 16 | qualified education expenditures of t | he taxpayer or the following:         | 4 |
| 17 | (1) For a student who is a men        | iber of a household with an           |   |
| 18 | annual household income that is       |                                       |   |
| 19 | seventy-five percent (175%) of        |                                       |   |
| 20 | level, the lesser of the following    | amounts:                              |   |
| 21 | (A) per student:                      |                                       |   |
| 22 | Taxable Year Ending In                | Amount                                |   |
| 23 | 2006 and 2007                         | \$1,000                               |   |
| 24 | 2008 and 2009                         | \$1,500                               |   |
| 25 | 2010 and 2011                         | \$2,000                               |   |
| 26 | 2012 and 2013                         | \$2,500                               |   |
| 27 | 2014 and thereafter                   | \$3,000                               | 1 |
| 28 | (B) per taxpayer:                     |                                       | 1 |
| 29 | Taxable Year Ending In                | Amount                                |   |
| 30 | 2006 and 2007                         | \$2,000                               |   |
| 31 | 2008 and 2009                         | \$3,000                               |   |
| 32 | 2010 and 2011                         | \$4,000                               |   |
| 33 | 2012 and 2013                         | \$5,000                               |   |
| 34 | 2014 and thereafter                   | \$6,000                               |   |
| 35 | (2) For a student who is a men        |                                       |   |
| 36 | annual household income that          |                                       |   |
| 37 | seventy-five percent (175%) but       |                                       |   |
| 38 | fifty percent (350%) of the fede      | ral income poverty level, the         |   |
| 39 | lesser of following amounts:          |                                       |   |
| 40 | (A) per student:                      |                                       |   |
| 41 | Taxable Year Ending In                | Amount                                |   |
| 42 | 2006 and 2007                         | <b>\$0</b>                            |   |



| 1  | 2008 and 2009                        | \$500                             |   |
|----|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 2  | 2010 and 2011                        | \$1,000                           |   |
| 3  | 2012 and 2013                        | \$1,500                           |   |
| 4  | 2014 and thereafter                  | \$2,000                           |   |
| 5  | (B) per taxpayer:                    | ,                                 |   |
| 6  | Taxable Year Ending In               | Amount                            |   |
| 7  | 2006 and 2007                        | <b>\$0</b>                        |   |
| 8  | 2008 and 2009                        | \$1,000                           |   |
| 9  | 2010 and 2011                        | \$2,000                           | _ |
| 10 | 2012 and 2013                        | \$3,000                           | 4 |
| 11 | 2014 and thereafter                  | \$4,000                           |   |
| 12 | (3) For a student who is a m         | ember of a household with an      | • |
| 13 | annual household income the          | at is more than three hundred     |   |
| 14 | fifty percent (350%) of the fe       | deral income poverty level, the   |   |
| 15 | taxpayer is not entitled to a c      | redit.                            |   |
| 16 | The credit amount under this         | subsection with respect to a      |   |
| 17 | dependent is reduced by any cred     | it amount with respect to other   | € |
| 18 | dependents under subsection (b) o    | r section 3 of this chapter.      |   |
| 19 | (c) A taxpayer making a payme        | ent with respect to a dependent   |   |
| 20 | under this section with respect to a | dependent who is not enrolled     |   |
| 21 | in a public school in 2004-2005 bu   | t who is eligible for enrollment  |   |
| 22 | in a public school in 2004-2005 is   | entitled to a credit against the  |   |
| 23 | adjusted gross income tax impos      | ed by IC 6-3 for taxable years    |   |
| 24 | beginning with 2008. The credit to   | which the taxpayer is entitled is | _ |
| 25 | the lesser of the tuition paid under | this section or the following:    |   |
| 26 | (1) For a student who is a m         | ember of a household with an      |   |
| 27 |                                      | t is not more than one hundred    |   |
| 28 | * *                                  | of the federal income poverty     | 1 |
| 29 | level, the lesser of the following   | ng amounts:                       |   |
| 30 | (A) per student:                     |                                   |   |
| 31 | Taxable Year Ending In               | Amount                            |   |
| 32 | 2008 and 2009                        | \$1,000                           |   |
| 33 | 2010 and 2011                        | \$1,500                           |   |
| 34 | 2012 and 2013                        | \$2,000                           |   |
| 35 | 2014 and 2015                        | \$2,500                           |   |
| 36 | 2016 and thereafter                  | \$3,000                           |   |
| 37 | (B) per taxpayer:                    |                                   |   |
| 38 | Taxable Year Ending In               | Amount                            |   |
| 39 | 2008 and 2009                        | \$2,000                           |   |
| 40 | 2010 and 2011                        | \$3,000                           |   |
| 41 | 2012 and 2013                        | \$4,000                           |   |
| 42 | 2014 and 2015                        | \$5,000                           |   |



| 1  | 2016 and thereafter   | \$6,000                          |   |
|----|---|----------------------------------|---|
| 2  | (2) For a student who is a m                                  | ember of a household with an     |   |
| 3  | annual household income that is more than one hundred         |                                  |   |
| 4  | seventy-five percent (175%) but not more than three hundred   |                                  |   |
| 5  | fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the |                                  |   |
| 6  | lesser of following amounts:                                  |                                  |   |
| 7  | (A) per student:  |                                  |   |
| 8  | Taxable Year Ending In  | Amount                           |   |
| 9  | 2008 and 2009   | <b>\$0</b>                       |   |
| 10 | 2010 and 2011   | \$500                            |   |
| 11 | 2012 and 2013   | \$1,000                          |   |
| 12 | 2014 and 2015   | \$1,500                          |   |
| 13 | 2016 and thereafter   | \$2,000                          |   |
| 14 | (B) per taxpayer:   |                                  |   |
| 15 | Taxable Year Ending In  | Amount                           |   |
| 16 | 2008 and 2009   | <b>\$0</b>                       |   |
| 17 | 2010 and 2011   | \$1,000                          | U |
| 18 | 2012 and 2013   | \$2,000                          |   |
| 19 | 2014 and 2015   | \$3,000                          |   |
| 20 | 2016 and thereafter   | \$4,000                          |   |
| 21 | (3) For a student who is a m                                  | ember of a household with an     |   |
| 22 |   | t is more than three hundred     |   |
| 23 | • •   | leral income poverty level, the  |   |
| 24 | taxpayer is not entitled to a cr                              |                                  | - |
| 25 | (d) If the amount of the credit                               | •                                |   |
| 26 | taxpayer uses during a particular t                           | •                                |   |
| 27 | the taxes imposed on the taxpayer                             |                                  |   |
| 28 | after the application of all credits th                       |                                  | V |
| 29 | applied before the credit provided                            | by this section, the following   |   |
| 30 | apply:  |                                  |   |
| 31 | * * *   | by subsection (b)(1), the excess |   |
| 32 | shall be returned to the taxpay                               |                                  |   |
| 33 |   | ed by subsection (b)(2), fifty   |   |
| 34 | <del>-</del>  | all be returned to the taxpayer  |   |
| 35 | as a refund.  |                                  |   |
| 36 |   | ed by subsection (b)(3), the     |   |
| 37 | taxpayer is not entitled to any                               |                                  |   |
| 38 | (e) The department shall develo                               | op a process and create forms    |   |
| 39 | that:   |                                  |   |
| 40 |   | gn credits under this section to |   |
| 41 |   | the taxpayer's dependent is      |   |
| 42 | enrolled; and   |                                  |   |



|    | 14   |
|----|--|
| 1  | (2) allows the school that receives an assignment of credits to            |
| 2  | claim and receive the amount of the credit as soon as the                  |
| 3  | taxpayer has filed the required income tax return for the                  |
| 4  | taxable year.  |
| 5  | (f) Acceptance by a taxpayer of a credit for qualified education           |
| 6  | expenditures for a dependent under this section does not provide           |
| 7  | any governmental entity or agency of the state with jurisdiction,          |
| 8  | authority, or control over the dependent's educational provider.           |
| 9  | SECTION 11. IC 20-8.1-6.1-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS                          |
| 10 | FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 5. (a) A student who is             |
| 11 | placed in a state licensed private or public health care facility, child   |
| 12 | care facility, or foster family home:                                      |
| 13 | (1) by or with the consent of the division of family and children;         |
| 14 | (2) by a court order; or   |
| 15 | (3) by a child placing agency licensed by the division of family           |
| 16 | and children;  |
| 17 | may attend school in the school corporation in which the home or           |
| 18 | facility is located. If the school corporation in which the home or        |
| 19 | facility is located is not the school corporation in which the student has |
| 20 | legal settlement, the school corporation in which the student has legal    |
| 21 | settlement shall pay the transfer tuition of the student.                  |
| 22 | (b) A student who is placed in a state licensed private or public          |
| 23 | health care or child care facility by a parent or guardian may attend      |
| 24 | school in the school corporation in which the facility is located if:      |
| 25 | (1) the placement is necessary for the student's physical or               |
| 26 | emotional health and well-being and, if the placement is in a              |
| 27 | health care facility, is recommended by a physician; and                   |
| 28 | (2) the placement is projected to be for no less than fourteen (14)        |
| 29 | consecutive calendar days or an aggregate of twenty (20) calendar          |

days. The school corporation in which the student has legal settlement shall pay the transfer tuition of the student. The parent or guardian of the student shall notify the school corporation in which the facility is located and the school corporation of the student's legal settlement, if identifiable, of the placement. No later than thirty (30) days after this notice, the school corporation of legal settlement shall either pay the transfer tuition of the transferred student or appeal the payment by notice to the department of education. The acceptance or notice of appeal by the school corporation shall be given by certified mail to the parent or guardian of the student and any affected school corporation. In the case of a student who is not identified as disabled under IC 20-1-6, the Indiana state board of education shall make a



30

31

32

33

34

35

36 37

38

39

40

41

42

| 1  | determination on transfer tuition in accordance with the procedures set  |
|----|--|
| 2  | out in section 10 of this chapter. In the case of a student who has been |
| 3  | identified as disabled under IC 20-1-6, the determination on transfer    |
| 4  | tuition shall be made in accordance with this subsection and the         |
| 5  | procedures adopted by the Indiana state board of education under         |
| 6  | IC 20-1-6-2.1(a)(5).   |
| 7  | (c) A student who is placed in:  |
| 8  | (1) an institution operated by the division of disability, aging, and    |
| 9  | rehabilitative services or the division of mental health and             |
| 10 | addiction; or  |
| 11 | (2) an institution, a public or private facility, a home, a group        |
| 12 | home, or an alternative family setting by the division of disability,    |
| 13 | aging, and rehabilitative services or the division of mental health      |
| 14 | and addiction;   |
| 15 | may attend school in the school corporation in which the institution is  |
| 16 | located. The state shall pay the transfer tuition of the student, unless |
| 17 | another entity is required to pay the transfer tuition as a result of a  |
| 18 | placement described in subsection (a) or (b) or another state is         |
| 19 | obligated to pay the transfer tuition.                                   |
| 20 | (d) A student:   |
| 21 | (1) who is placed in a facility, a home, or an institution               |
| 22 | described in subsection (a), (b), or (c); and                            |
| 23 | (2) for whom there is no other entity or person required to              |
| 24 | pay transfer tuition;  |
| 25 | may attend school in the school corporation in which the facility,       |
| 26 | home, or institution is located. The department shall conduct an         |
| 27 | investigation and determine whether any other entity or person is        |
| 28 | required to pay transfer tuition. If the department determines that      |
| 29 | no other entity or person is required to pay transfer tuition, the       |
| 30 | state shall pay the transfer tuition for the student.                    |
| 31 | SECTION 12. IC 20-8.1-6.1-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA                     |
| 32 | CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS                          |
| 33 | [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 14. (a) The governing body of a           |
| 34 | school corporation may enter into an interlocal agreement under          |
| 35 | IC 36-1-7 with the governing body of another school corporation          |
| 36 | under which a student whose legal settlement is in the school            |
| 37 | corporation may attend school in the other school corporation.           |
| 38 | (b) If a student attends school in another school corporation            |
| 39 | under an interlocal agreement described in subsection (a):               |

(1) the provisions of this chapter and IC 20-8.1-6.5 concerning

(2) the terms of the interlocal agreement concerning the



40

41

42

transfer tuition do not apply; and

| 1          | payment of costs for the student's attendance apply.                             |   |
|------------|--|---|
| 2          | SECTION 13. IC 20-8.1-6.1-15 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA                             |   |
| 3          | CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS                                  |   |
| 4          | [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 15. (a) This section applies to a                 |   |
| 5          | student:   |   |
| 6          | (1) who has legal settlement in a school corporation; and                        |   |
| 7          | (2) whose parent owns property for which the parent pays                         |   |
| 8          | property taxes in a school corporation other than the school                     |   |
| 9          | corporation in which the student has legal settlement.                           |   |
| 10         | (b) Not later than April 1, the parent of a student to whom this                 |   |
| 11         | section applies may notify the school corporation in which the                   |   |
| 12         | parent owns property that the parent intends to enroll the student               |   |
| 13         | in the school corporation in which the parent owns property for the              |   |
| 14         | following school year.   |   |
| 15         | (c) A school corporation that receives notice under subsection                   | _ |
| 16         | (b):   |   |
| 17         | (1) shall enroll the student in an appropriate school within the                 |   |
| 18         | school corporation; and  |   |
| 19         | (2) may not request the payment of transfer tuition for the                      |   |
| 20         | student from the school corporation in which the student has                     |   |
| 21         | legal settlement or from the student's parent.                                   |   |
| 22         | (d) A student to whom this section applies may not enroll                        | 0 |
| 23         | primarily for athletic reasons in a school in a school corporation in            |   |
| 24         | which the student does not have legal settlement. However, the                   | _ |
| 25         | property owned in the school corporation other than the school                   |   |
| 26         | corporation in which the student has legal settlement must not be                |   |
| 27         | owned primarily for the purpose of gaining access to the school                  |   |
| 28         | corporation. In determining whether property is owned primarily                  | Y |
| 29         | for the purpose of gaining access to the school corporation, the                 |   |
| 30         | following criteria shall be used:  |   |
| 31         | (1) The property must be held at least one (1) year before the                   |   |
| 32         | beginning of a school year in which the student enrolls in the                   |   |
| 33<br>34   | school corporation. (2) The property must be zoned for residential or commercial |   |
|            | . ,  |   |
| 35<br>36   | use.<br>Section 14. IC 20-8.1-6.5-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA                    |   |
| 37         | CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS                                  |   |
| 38         | [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 0.5. This chapter does not apply                  |   |
| 39         | to a student who under:  |   |
| 40         | (1) IC 20-8.1-6.1-14 or IC 20-8.1-6.1-15; or                                     |   |
| 41         | (2) the public elementary and secondary school transfer                          |   |
| 42         | program (IC 20-8.1-16);  |   |
| <b>→</b> ∠ | program (10 20-0.1-10),  |   |



| 1  | attends a public school that is outside the school corporation where |   |
|----|--|---|
| 2  | the student has legal settlement.                                    |   |
| 3  | SECTION 15. IC 20-26-11.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA                    |   |
| 4  | CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS                      |   |
| 5  | [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]:  |   |
| 6  | Chapter 11.5. Public Elementary and Secondary School                 |   |
| 7  | Transfer Program   |   |
| 8  | Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "ADM" has the meaning set           |   |
| 9  | forth in IC 21-3-1.6-1.1.  |   |
| 10 | Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "base school corporation" means     |   |
| 11 | the school corporation in which a student has legal settlement.      |   |
| 12 | Sec. 3. As used in this chapter, "program" refers to the public      |   |
| 13 | elementary and secondary school transfer program.                    |   |
| 14 | Sec. 4. As used in this chapter, "public school" has the meaning     |   |
| 15 | set forth in IC 20-18-2-15.  |   |
| 16 | Sec. 5. As used in this chapter, "transfer" refers to a transfer     |   |
| 17 | under the public elementary and secondary school transfer            |   |
| 18 | program established under this chapter.                              |   |
| 19 | Sec. 6. The public elementary and secondary school transfer          |   |
| 20 | program is established.  |   |
| 21 | Sec. 7. The department shall grant transfers and renewal             |   |
| 22 | transfers under this chapter on a date, specified by the department, |   |
| 23 | that falls before the beginning of a school year.                    |   |
| 24 | Sec. 8. (a) The department shall grant a transfer to a student if    | - |
| 25 | the following requirements are met:                                  |   |
| 26 | (1) The student's parent requests a transfer for the student.        |   |
| 27 | (2) The student's parent selects a school for the student to         |   |
| 28 | attend under the program.  | V |
| 29 | (3) The school is a public school in Indiana that is:                |   |
| 30 | (A) in the student's base school corporation but is a                |   |
| 31 | different school from the school where the school                    |   |
| 32 | corporation has assigned the student; or                             |   |
| 33 | (B) not a school in the student's base school corporation.           |   |
| 34 | (4) Except as provided in section 14(b) of this chapter, the         |   |
| 35 | principal of the school and the superintendent of the school         |   |
| 36 | corporation in which the school is located jointly agree to          |   |
| 37 | enroll the student in the school.                                    |   |
| 38 | (b) The department shall grant a renewal transfer to a student       |   |
| 39 | who meets the following requirements:                                |   |
| 40 | (1) The student previously received a transfer in any year.          |   |
| 41 | (2) The requirements of subsection (a) are met.                      |   |
| 42 | (c) The department may not grant a transfer to a student who         |   |



| 1  | wishes to enroll in a school primarily for athletic reasons.         |
|----|--|
| 2  | However, a decision to allow a student to enroll in a school         |
| 3  | corporation in which the student does not have legal settlement is   |
| 4  | not considered a determination that the student did not enroll       |
| 5  | primarily for athletic reasons.                                      |
| 6  | Sec. 9. Not later than April 1 before the beginning of a school      |
| 7  | year for which a parent seeks enrollment of a student under the      |
| 8  | program, the student's parent must notify the superintendent of      |
| 9  | the school corporation in which the parent seeks to have the         |
| 10 | student enrolled of the parent's request to have the student         |
| 11 | enrolled.  |
| 12 | Sec. 10. (a) The superintendent of a school corporation in which     |
| 13 | a parent seeks enrollment of a student under the program:            |
| 14 | (1) is not required to enroll the student; and                       |
| 15 | (2) may not enroll the student if enrollment will cause the          |
| 16 | school corporation to be out of compliance with a court order,       |
| 17 | including a court order described in IC 20-26-11-19.                 |
| 18 | (b) A superintendent may not refuse to enroll a student in           |
| 19 | violation of IC 20-33-1 or because the student has a disability.     |
| 20 | (c) A superintendent shall notify a parent who makes a request       |
| 21 | under section 9 of this chapter of the superintendent's decision not |
| 22 | later than thirty (30) days after receiving a request for enrollment |
| 23 | under section 9 of this chapter. If a superintendent does not notify |
| 24 | a parent of the superintendent's decision not later than thirty (30) |
| 25 | days after receiving a request for enrollment, the request to enroll |
| 26 | is considered to be granted.   |
| 27 | (d) A superintendent who accepts a student for enrollment            |
| 28 | under the program shall notify the superintendent of the student's   |
| 29 | base corporation of the student's acceptance not later than fifteen  |
| 30 | (15) days after accepting the student.                               |
| 31 | Sec. 11. The following apply when a student transfers under this     |
| 32 | chapter to a school in the student's base school corporation:        |
| 33 | (1) There is no monetary transfer award.                             |
| 34 | (2) There is no change in:   |
| 35 | (A) the ADM of the school corporation; or                            |
| 36 | (B) state assistance to the school corporation.                      |
| 37 | (3) The school corporation is not required to provide                |
| 38 | transportation for the student.                                      |

Sec. 12. The following apply when a student transfers under this chapter to a school that is not in the student's base school

(1) IC 20-35-8-1 applies to the transfer of a student with a



39

40 41

42

corporation:

| 1         | disability under this chapter or under IC 20-35-8-1.              |
|-----------|---|
| 2         | (2) The amount of the transfer tuition is the state aid per       |
| 3         | ADM provided under IC 21-3 to the student's base school           |
| 4         | corporation.  |
| 5         | (3) The student remains in the ADM of the student's base          |
| 6         | school corporation until the earlier of the following:            |
| 7         | (A) The date the student graduates from a high school.            |
| 8         | (B) The date of the end of the school year during which the       |
| 9         | student becomes eighteen (18) years of age.                       |
| 10        | (4) The school that enrolls the student may not include the       |
| 11        | student in the school's ADM.                                      |
| 12        | (5) The department shall do the following:                        |
| 13        | (A) Pay the amount of the transfer tuition to the school          |
| 14        | that enrolls the student.   |
| 15        | (B) Deduct the amount of the transfer tuition from the            |
| 16        | distribution of state aid to the student's base school            |
| 17        | corporation.  |
| 18        | (C) Notify the department of state revenue of the number          |
| 19        | of lost students and gained students under this chapter in        |
| 20        | each school corporation for the department of state               |
| 21        | revenue's use under IC 6-1.1-21.                                  |
| 22        | (6) The parent of the student is responsible for all costs of the |
| 23        | student to attend the school that exceed the amount of the        |
| 24        | transfer tuition.   |
| 25        | (7) Except as provided in IC 20-35-8-2, the student's base        |
| 26        | school corporation and the school corporation that enrolls the    |
| 27        | student are not responsible for providing transportation for      |
| 28        | the student.  |
| 29        | Sec. 13. Except as provided in section 14(b) of this chapter, at  |
| 30        | the end of each school year the superintendent of the school      |
| 31        | corporation that enrolls a student under the program and the      |
| 32        | principal of the school the student attends shall jointly:        |
| 33        | (1) determine whether to enroll the student for the following     |
| 34        | school year; and  |
| 35        | (2) inform the department of their decision.                      |
| 36        | Sec. 14. (a) The governing body of a school corporation may       |
| 37        | adopt a policy that sets guidelines to be used in determining     |
| 38        | whether to:   |
| 39        | (1) accept a student for enrollment under the program; and        |
| 40<br>4.1 | (2) continue a student's enrollment under the program.            |
| 41<br>42  | (b) Notwithstanding sections 8(a)(4) and 13 of this chapter, a    |
| 42        | policy adopted under this section may provide that the governing  |



| 1  | body makes a determination of whether to enroll a student or to       |
|----|---|
| 2  | continue a student's enrollment under the program.                    |
| 3  | Sec. 15. A school corporation or school may not solicit the           |
| 4  | parents of a student to transfer the student to the school            |
| 5  | corporation or school.  |
| 6  | Sec. 16. For purposes of accountability for performance and           |
| 7  | assessing school improvement under IC 20-31, a student who            |
| 8  | transfers to a school under the program is included as a student in   |
| 9  | the school to which the student transferred.                          |
| 10 | Sec. 17. The department shall establish procedures to                 |
| 11 | administer this chapter.  |
| 12 | Sec. 18. The Indiana state board of education may adopt rules         |
| 13 | under IC 4-22-2 to implement and administer the program.              |
| 14 | SECTION 16. IC 20-31-9-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE                 |
| 15 | AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY                   |
| 16 | 1, 2005]: Sec. 5. (a) This section applies to a school that has been  |
| 17 | placed in the lowest performance category for a third or              |
| 18 | subsequent year under this chapter.                                   |
| 19 | (b) Before March 1 of each year, the school shall notify the          |
| 20 | parent of each student in the school of the parent's right to request |
| 21 | a transfer for the student for the following school year to a         |
| 22 | different school within the same school corporation or in another     |
| 23 | school corporation under IC 20-26-11.5.                               |
| 24 | (c) The notice provided under this section must set forth in an       |
| 25 | easily understood format a parent's transfer options for a student,   |
| 26 | including a list of schools in the student's current school           |
| 27 | corporation that are in a higher performance category to which the    |
| 28 | student's parents may request a transfer for the student.             |
| 29 | (d) If:   |
| 30 | (1) a school corporation is unable to comply with a parent's          |
| 31 | request to transfer a student under this section; or                  |
| 32 | (2) a parent requests additional transfer options for the             |
| 33 | student;  |
| 34 | the superintendent shall meet with the parent to discuss options for  |
| 35 | the student.  |
| 36 | SECTION 17. IC 20-26-11-30 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA                    |
| 37 | CODE AS A <b>NEW</b> SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS                       |
| 38 | [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 30. (a) The governing body of a        |
| 39 | school corporation may enter into an interlocal agreement under       |

IC 36-1-7 with the governing body of another school corporation

under which a student whose legal settlement is in the school

corporation may attend school in the other school corporation.

C o p





40

41

42

| (b) If a student attends school in another school corporation         |
|---|
| under an interlocal agreement described in subsection (a):            |
| (1) the provisions of this chapter concerning transfer tuition        |
| do not apply; and   |
| (2) the terms of the interlocal agreement concerning the              |
| payment of costs for the student's attendance apply.                  |
| SECTION 18. IC 20-26-11-31 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA                    |
| CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS                              |
| [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 31. (a) This section applies to a      |
| student:  |
| (1) who has legal settlement in a school corporation; and             |
| (2) whose parent owns property for which the parent pays              |
| property taxes in a school corporation other than the school          |
| corporation in which the student has legal settlement.                |
| (b) Not later than April 1, the parent of a student to whom this      |
| section applies may notify the school corporation in which the        |
| parent owns property that the parent intends to enroll the student    |
| in the school corporation in which the parent owns property for the   |
| following school year.  |
| (c) A school corporation that receives notice under subsection        |
| (b):  |
| (1) shall enroll the student in an appropriate school within the      |
| school corporation; and   |
| (2) may not request the payment of transfer tuition for the           |
| student from the school corporation in which the student has          |
| legal settlement or from the student's parent.                        |
| (d) A student to whom this section applies may not enroll             |
| primarily for athletic reasons in a school in a school corporation in |
| which the student does not have legal settlement. However, a          |
| decision to allow a student to enroll in a school corporation in      |
| which the student does not have legal settlement is not considered    |
| a determination that the student did not enroll primarily for         |
| athletic reasons.   |
| SECTION 19. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] (a) As used in this              |
| SECTION, "department" refers to the department of education           |
| established by IC 20-19-3-1.  |
| (b) As used in this SECTION, "school year" means the period           |
| described in IC 20-18-2-17.   |
| (c) The department shall grant transfers under IC 20-26-11.5,         |
| as added by this act, beginning with the 2006-2007 school year.       |
| (d) This SECTION expires July 1 2008                                  |

SECTION 20. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] IC 20-8.1-6.1-3, as



42

- amended by this act, and IC 20-8.1-6.1-3.1, as added by this act,
- 2 apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005.

C o p



#### COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Education and Career Development, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 281, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 1, between the enacting clause and line 1, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 1. IC 6-1.1-21-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 2. As used in this chapter:

- (a) "Taxpayer" means a person who is liable for taxes on property assessed under this article.
- (b) "Taxes" means property taxes payable in respect to property assessed under this article. The term does not include special assessments, penalties, or interest, but does include any special charges which a county treasurer combines with all other taxes in the preparation and delivery of the tax statements required under IC 6-1.1-22-8(a).
  - (c) "Department" means the department of state revenue.
- (d) "Auditor's abstract" means the annual report prepared by each county auditor which under IC 6-1.1-22-5, is to be filed on or before March 1 of each year with the auditor of state.
- (e) "Mobile home assessments" means the assessments of mobile homes made under IC 6-1.1-7.
- (f) "Postabstract adjustments" means adjustments in taxes made subsequent to the filing of an auditor's abstract which change assessments therein or add assessments of omitted property affecting taxes for such assessment year.
  - (g) "Total county tax levy" means the sum of:
    - (1) the remainder of:
      - (A) the aggregate levy of all taxes for all taxing units in a county which are to be paid in the county for a stated assessment year as reflected by the auditor's abstract for the assessment year, adjusted, however, for any postabstract adjustments which change the amount of the aggregate levy; minus
      - (B) the sum of any increases in property tax levies of taxing units of the county that result from appeals described in:
        - (i) IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(4) and IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(5) filed after December 31, 1982; plus
        - (ii) the sum of any increases in property tax levies of taxing







y

units of the county that result from any other appeals described in IC 6-1.1-18.5-13 filed after December 31, 1983; plus

- (iii) IC 6-1.1-18.6-3 (children in need of services and delinquent children who are wards of the county); minus
- (C) the total amount of property taxes imposed for the stated assessment year by the taxing units of the county under the authority of IC 12-1-11.5 (repealed), IC 12-2-4.5 (repealed), IC 12-19-5, or IC 12-20-24; minus
- (D) the total amount of property taxes to be paid during the stated assessment year that will be used to pay for interest or principal due on debt that:
  - (i) is entered into after December 31, 1983;
  - (ii) is not debt that is issued under IC 5-1-5 to refund debt incurred before January 1, 1984; and
  - (iii) does not constitute debt entered into for the purpose of building, repairing, or altering school buildings for which the requirements of IC 20-5-52 were satisfied prior to January 1, 1984; minus
- (E) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for the stated assessment year under the authority of IC 21-2-6 (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was initially established or reestablished for a stated assessment year that succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus
- (F) the remainder of:
  - (i) the total property taxes imposed in the county for the stated assessment year under authority of IC 21-2-6 (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was not initially established or reestablished for a stated assessment year that succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus
  - (ii) the total property taxes imposed in the county for the 1984 stated assessment year under the authority of IC 21-2-6 (repealed) or any citation listed in IC 6-1.1-18.5-9.8 for a cumulative building fund whose property tax rate was not initially established or reestablished for a stated assessment year that succeeds the 1983 stated assessment year; minus
- (G) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for the stated assessment year under:
  - (i) IC 21-2-15 for a capital projects fund; plus
  - (ii) IC 6-1.1-19-10 for a racial balance fund; plus

C





y

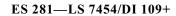
- (iii) IC 20-14-13 for a library capital projects fund; plus
- (iv) IC 20-5-17.5-3 for an art association fund; plus
- (v) IC 21-2-17 for a special education preschool fund; plus
- (vi) IC 21-2-11.6 for a referendum tax levy fund; plus
- (vii) an appeal filed under IC 6-1.1-19-5.1 for an increase in a school corporation's maximum permissible general fund levy for certain transfer tuition costs; plus
- (viii) an appeal filed under IC 6-1.1-19-5.4 for an increase in a school corporation's maximum permissible general fund levy for transportation operating costs; minus
- (H) the amount of property taxes imposed by a school corporation that is attributable to the passage, after 1983, of a referendum for an excessive tax levy under IC 6-1.1-19, including any increases in these property taxes that are attributable to the adjustment set forth in IC 6-1.1-19-1.5 or any other law; minus
- (I) for each township in the county, the lesser of:
  - (i) the sum of the amount determined in IC 6-1.1-18.5-19(a) STEP THREE or IC 6-1.1-18.5-19(b) STEP THREE, whichever is applicable, plus the part, if any, of the township's ad valorem property tax levy for calendar year 1989 that represents increases in that levy that resulted from an appeal described in IC 6-1.1-18.5-13(4) filed after December 31, 1982; or
  - (ii) the amount of property taxes imposed in the township for the stated assessment year under the authority of IC 36-8-13-4; minus
- (J) for each participating unit in a fire protection territory established under IC 36-8-19-1, the amount of property taxes levied by each participating unit under IC 36-8-19-8 and IC 36-8-19-8.5 less the maximum levy limit for each of the participating units that would have otherwise been available for fire protection services under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3 and IC 6-1.1-18.5-19 for that same year; minus
- (K) for each county, the sum of:
  - (i) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county for the repayment of loans under IC 12-19-5-6 (repealed) that is included in the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(a) STEP SEVEN for property taxes payable in 1995, or for property taxes payable in each year after 1995, the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(b); and
  - (ii) the amount of property taxes imposed in the county













attributable to appeals granted under IC 6-1.1-18.6-3 that is included in the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(a) STEP SEVEN for property taxes payable in 1995, or the amount determined under IC 12-19-7-4(b) for property taxes payable in each year after 1995; plus

- (2) all taxes to be paid in the county in respect to mobile home assessments currently assessed for the year in which the taxes stated in the abstract are to be paid; plus
- (3) the amounts, if any, of county adjusted gross income taxes that were applied by the taxing units in the county as property tax replacement credits to reduce the individual levies of the taxing units for the assessment year, as provided in IC 6-3.5-1.1; plus
- (4) the amounts, if any, by which the maximum permissible ad valorem property tax levies of the taxing units of the county were reduced under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(b) STEP EIGHT for the stated assessment year; plus
- (5) the difference between:
  - (A) the amount determined in IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(e) STEP FOUR; minus
  - (B) the amount the civil taxing units' levies were increased because of the reduction in the civil taxing units' base year certified shares under IC 6-1.1-18.5-3(e).
- (h) "December settlement sheet" means the certificate of settlement filed by the county auditor with the auditor of state, as required under IC 6-1.1-27-3.
- (i) "Tax duplicate" means the roll of property taxes which each county auditor is required to prepare on or before March 1 of each year under IC 6-1.1-22-3.
- (j) "Eligible property tax replacement amount" is equal to the sum of the following:
  - (1) Sixty percent (60%) of the total county tax levy imposed by each school corporation in a county for its general fund for a stated assessment year after the school corporation's gained student levy amount is added and the school corporation's lost student levy amount is subtracted.
  - (2) Twenty percent (20%) of the total county tax levy (less sixty percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) imposed in a county on real property for a stated assessment year.
  - (3) Twenty percent (20%) of the total county tax levy (less sixty percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) imposed in a













- county on tangible personal property, excluding business personal property, for an assessment year.
- (k) "Business personal property" means tangible personal property (other than real property) that is being:
  - (1) held for sale in the ordinary course of a trade or business; or
  - (2) held, used, or consumed in connection with the production of income.
- (l) "Taxpayer's property tax replacement credit amount" means the sum of the following:
  - (1) Sixty percent (60%) of a taxpayer's tax liability in a calendar year for taxes imposed by a school corporation for its general fund for a stated assessment year.
  - (2) Twenty percent (20%) of a taxpayer's tax liability for a stated assessment year for a total county tax levy (less sixty percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) on real property.
  - (3) Twenty percent (20%) of a taxpayer's tax liability for a stated assessment year for a total county tax levy (less sixty percent (60%) of the levy for the general fund of a school corporation that is part of the total county tax levy) on tangible personal property other than business personal property.
- (m) "Tax liability" means tax liability as described in section 5 of this chapter.
- (n) "General school operating levy" means the ad valorem property tax levy of a school corporation in a county for the school corporation's general fund.
- (o) "Gained student" for a school corporation means a student who transfers into the school corporation (that is not the student's base school corporation) under IC 20-8.1-16.
- (p) "Lost student" for a school corporation means a student who transfers out of the school corporation (that is the student's base school corporation) to another school corporation under IC 20-8.1-16.
- (q) "Per capita levy" for a school corporation means the total general fund levy of the school corporation divided by the ADM (as defined in IC 21-3-1.6-1.1) of the school corporation.
- (r) "Gained student levy amount" means a school corporation's per capita levy multiplied by the number of gained students for the school corporation.
- (s) "Lost student levy amount" means a school corporation's per capita levy multiplied by the number of lost students for the school corporation.".

V











Page 6, line 27, delete "fifty percent (50%)".

Page 6, line 28, delete "of".

Page 6, after line 42, begin a new line double block indented and insert:

"(C) Notify the department of state revenue of the number of lost students and gained students under this chapter in each school corporation for the department of state revenue's use under IC 6-1.1-21.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 281 as introduced.)

LUBBERS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 6, Nays 3.

#### SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senate Bill 281 be amended to read as follows:

Page 11, between lines 5 and 6, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"(d) A superintendent who accepts a student for enrollment under the program shall notify the superintendent of the student's base corporation of the student's acceptance not later than fifteen (15) days after accepting the student."

Page 11, line 42, delete "The" and insert "Except as provided in IC 20-1-6-18.2, the".

Page 12, delete lines 26 through 42.

Page 13, delete lines 1 through 2.

Page 13, line 3, delete "18." and insert "17.".

Page 13, line 5, delete "19." and insert "18.".

Page 13, between lines 6 and 7, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 9. IC 20-10.2-6-5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 5. (a) This section applies to a school that has been placed in the lowest performance category for a third or subsequent year under this chapter.

(b) Before March 1 of each year, the school shall notify the parent of each student in the school of the parent's right to request a transfer for the student for the following school year to a different school within the same school corporation or in another

ES 281—LS 7454/DI 109+









school corporation under IC 20-8.1-16.

- (c) The notice provided under this section must set forth in an easily understood format a parent's transfer options for a student, including a list of schools in the student's current school corporation that are in a higher performance category to which the student's parents may request a transfer for the student.
  - (d) If:
    - (1) a school corporation is unable to comply with a parent's request to transfer a student under this section; or
    - (2) a parent requests additional transfer options for the student;

the superintendent shall meet with the parent to discuss options for the student.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to SB 281 as printed February 18, 2005.)

KENLEY

#### SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Lubbers be added as second author of Engrossed Senate Bill 281.

**KENLEY** 

# COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred Senate Bill 281, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 6, line 4, delete "IC 20-8.1-16." and insert "IC 20-26-11.5.". Page 6, line 8, delete "IC 20-8.1-16." and insert "IC 20-26-11.5.". Page 6, between lines 35 and 36, begin a new paragraph and insert: "SECTION 3. IC 20-8.1-1-19 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA

CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 19. As used in this article, "dependent" has the meaning set forth in Section 152(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 4. IC 20-8.1-1-20 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE

ES 281—LS 7454/DI 109+









AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 20. As used in this article, "federal income poverty level" means the federal income poverty level for the taxpayer's household using the poverty guidelines updated periodically by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2).

SECTION 5. IC 20-8.1-1-21 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 21. As used in this article, "qualified education expenditures" means expenditures made by a taxpayer during the twelve (12) month period beginning July 1 and ending June 30 of the taxable year for a dependent with respect to a school of choice for any of the following:

- (1) Fees for academic tuition or instruction.
- (2) If the dependent is not enrolled in a school that charges tuition, expenditures for computer software, textbooks, workbooks, curricula, school supplies other than personal computers, and other written materials used primarily for academic instruction and for academic tutoring.
- (3) Expenditures for transporting the dependent to and from the school of choice in which the dependent is enrolled, excluding transportation for extracurricular activities.

However, the total of a taxpayer's expenditures described in this section must be reduced by the amount of a scholarship received under IC 20-8.1-6.1-14 to determine qualified educational expenditures for purposes of section 3.1 of this chapter.

SECTION 5. IC 20-8.1-1-22 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: **Sec 22. As used in this article, "school of choice" means:** 

- (1) a nonpublic school (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-3); or
- (2) a public school (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-2) in which a dependent is enrolled but that is not the dependent's school of legal settlement for purposes of the general school tuition support formula.

SECTION 6. IC 20-8.1-1-23 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: **Sec. 23.** As used in this article, "taxpayer" means:

- (1) an individual who is; or
- (2) an individual and the individual's spouse, in the case of a joint return, who are;

subject to the adjusted gross income tax.".

Page 7, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new paragraph and insert:









"SECTION 4. IC 20-8.1-6.1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2005 (RETROACTIVE)]: Sec. 3. (a) A school corporation may accept a transferring student without approval of the transferor corporation under section 2 of this chapter.

- (b) No transfer may, however, be accepted unless the requesting parents or student pays transfer tuition in an amount determined under the formula established in section 8 of this chapter for the payment of transfer tuition by a transferor school corporation. However, the transferee school shall not offset the amounts described in section 8(b) STEP TWO (B) through section 8(b) STEP TWO (D) of this chapter from the amount charged to the requesting parents or student.
- (c) This tuition shall be paid by the parents or the student before the end of the school year in such installments as the transferee corporation determines.
- (d) Failure to pay any installment is a ground for exclusion from school.
- (e) A taxpayer making a payment with respect to a dependent under this section is entitled to a credit against the adjusted gross income tax imposed by IC 6-3 for the taxable year. The credit to which the taxpayer is entitled is the lesser of the tuition paid under this section or the following:
  - (1) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is not more than one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of the following amounts:

#### (A) per student:

| (11) per stadent.      |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount  |
| 2006 and 2007          | \$1,000 |
| 2008 and 2009          | \$1,500 |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$2,000 |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$2,500 |
| 2014 and thereafter    | \$3,000 |
| (B) per taxpayer:      |         |
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount  |
| 2006 and 2007          | \$2,000 |
| 2008 and 2009          | \$3,000 |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$4,000 |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$5,000 |
| 2014 and thereafter    | \$6,000 |
|                        |         |

(2) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is more than one hundred









seventy-five percent (175%) but not more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of following amounts:

| -  | Δ. | ) pei | r 61 | hud | en  | t٠ |
|----|----|-------|------|-----|-----|----|
| ٠, | 7  | , nci |      | ւսս | CII | ι. |

| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount     |
|------------------------|------------|
| 2006 and 2007          | <b>\$0</b> |
| 2008 and 2009          | \$500      |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$1,000    |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$1,500    |
| 2014 and thereafter    | \$2,000    |
| (B) per taxpayer:      |            |
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount     |
| 2006 and 2007          | <b>\$0</b> |
| 2008 and 2009          | \$1,000    |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$2,000    |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$3,000    |
| 2014 and thereafter    | \$4,000    |

(3) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of following amounts:

### (A) per student:

| (11) per student.      |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount     |
| 2006 through 2009      | <b>\$0</b> |
| 2010 through 2013      | \$500      |
| 2014 through 2017      | \$1,000    |
| 2018 through 2021      | \$1,500    |
| 2022 and thereafter    | \$2,000    |
| (B) per taxpayer:      |            |
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount     |
| 2006 through 2009      | \$0        |
| 2010 through 2013      | \$1,000    |
| 2014 through 2017      | \$2,000    |
| 2018 through 2021      | \$3,000    |
| 2022 and thereafter    | \$4,000    |
|                        |            |

The amount of a scholarship received under section 14 of this chapter is not considered tuition paid by the taxpayer under this section.

(f) If the amount of the credit provided by this section that a taxpayer uses during a particular taxable year exceeds the sum of the taxes imposed on the taxpayer by IC 6-3 for the taxable year after the application of all credits that under IC 6-3.1-1-2 are to be



applied before the credit provided by this section, the following apply:

- (1) If the taxpayer is covered by subsection (e)(1), the excess shall be returned to the taxpayer as a refund.
- (2) If the taxpayer is covered by subsection (e)(2), fifty percent (50%) of the excess shall be returned to the taxpayer as a refund.
- (3) If the taxpayer is covered by subsection (e)(3), the taxpayer is not entitled to any of the excess as a refund.
- (g) Acceptance by a taxpayer of a credit for qualified education expenditures for a dependent under this section does not provide any governmental entity or agency of the state with jurisdiction, authority, or control over the dependent's educational provider.

SECTION 5. IC 20-8.1-6.1-3.1 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 3.1. (a) This section applies to a taxpayer who has a dependent who has legal settlement in a school corporation located in Indiana.

- (b) A taxpayer who makes qualified education expenditures is entitled to a credit against the adjusted gross income tax imposed by IC 6-3 for the taxable year. The credit to which the taxpayer is entitled is the lesser of the qualified education expenditures of the taxpayer or the following:
  - (1) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is not more than one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of the following amounts:
    - (A) per student:

| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount  |
|------------------------|---------|
| 2006 and 2007          | \$1,000 |
| 2008 and 2009          | \$1,500 |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$2,000 |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$2,500 |
| 2014 and thereafter    | \$3,000 |
| (B) per taxpayer:      |         |
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount  |
| 2006 and 2007          | \$2,000 |
| 2008 and 2009          | \$3,000 |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$4,000 |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$5,000 |
| 2014 and thereafter    | \$6,000 |

(2) For a student who is a member of a household with an











annual household income that is more than one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) but not more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of following amounts:

| <b>(A)</b> | per | stud | ent |
|------------|-----|------|-----|
|------------|-----|------|-----|

| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount     |
|------------------------|------------|
| 2006 and 2007          | \$0        |
| 2008 and 2009          | \$500      |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$1,000    |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$1,500    |
| 2014 and thereafter    | \$2,000    |
| (B) per taxpayer:      |            |
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount     |
| 2006 and 2007          | <b>\$0</b> |
| 2008 and 2009          | \$1,000    |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$2,000    |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$3,000    |
| 2014 and thereafter    | \$4,000    |
|                        |            |

(3) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of following amounts:

## (A) per student:

| ( ) 1                  |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount     |
| 2006 through 2009      | <b>\$0</b> |
| 2010 through 2013      | \$500      |
| 2014 through 2017      | \$1,000    |
| 2018 through 2021      | \$1,500    |
| 2022 and thereafter    | \$2,000    |
| (B) per taxpayer:      |            |
| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount     |
| 2006 through 2009      | \$0        |
| 2010 through 2013      | \$1,000    |
| 2014 through 2017      | \$2,000    |
| 2018 through 2021      | \$3,000    |
| 2022 and thereafter    | \$4,000    |

The credit amount under this subsection with respect to a dependent is reduced by any credit amount with respect to other dependents under section 3 of this chapter.

(c) If the amount of the credit provided by this section that a taxpayer uses during a particular taxable year exceeds the sum of the taxes imposed on the taxpayer by IC 6-3 for the taxable year



after the application of all credits that under IC 6-3.1-1-2 are to be applied before the credit provided by this section, the following apply:

- (1) If the taxpayer is covered by subsection (b)(1), the excess shall be returned to the taxpayer as a refund.
- (2) If the taxpayer is covered by subsection (b)(2), fifty percent (50%) of the excess shall be returned to the taxpayer as a refund.
- (3) If the taxpayer is covered by subsection (b)(3), the taxpayer is not entitled to any of the excess as a refund.
- (d) The department shall develop a process and create forms that:
  - (1) permits the taxpayer to assign credits under this section to the school of choice in which the taxpayer's dependent is enrolled; and
  - (2) allows the school that receives an assignment of credits to claim and receive the amount of the credit as soon as the taxpayer has filed the required income tax return for the taxable year.
- (e) Acceptance by a taxpayer of a credit for qualified education expenditures for a dependent under this section does not provide any governmental entity or agency of the state with jurisdiction, authority, or control over the dependent's educational provider.

SECTION 7. IC 20-8.1-6.1-14 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 14. (a) As used in this section, "ADM" has the meaning set forth in IC 21-3-1.6-1.1. The term includes adjusted ADM.

- (b) As used in this section, "eligible student" means a student who meets the requirements of subsection (f).
- (c) As used in this section, "school of choice" means a nonpublic school (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-3) or a public school (as defined in IC 20-10.1-1-2) in which a dependent is enrolled but that is not the dependent's school of legal settlement for purposes of the general school tuition support formula, if the school:
  - (1) is accredited by the state or a national accrediting body;
  - (2) is not required to provide supplemental educational services for its students or to institute corrective action under 20 U.S.C. 6316;
  - (3) complies with all health and safety laws that apply to public or nonpublic schools, respectively;
  - (4) holds a valid occupancy permit if required; and









- (5) certifies that it will not discriminate in admissions on the basis of race, color, or national origin.
- (d) As used in this section, "scholarship" refers to a scholarship provided under the scholarship program established by this section.
- (e) There is established the freedom to achieve scholarship program to assist parents and guardians to pay the costs of their child attending a school of choice.
- (f) A student who meets the following requirements is eligible for a scholarship for a school year:
  - (1) The student was enrolled in a public school during the school year preceding the first school year for which a scholarship is sought.
  - (2) The public school attended by the student under subdivision (1) was either required to provide supplemental educational services for the student or was required to institute corrective action under 20 U.S.C. 6316 for the year the student attended the public school.
  - (3) The student has legal settlement in a school corporation located in Indiana.
  - (4) The student is enrolled in a school of choice for the school year for which a scholarship is sought.
  - (5) The student is a member of a household with an annual household income that is not more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level using the poverty guidelines updated periodically by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2).
- (g) The parent or guardian of an eligible student seeking a scholarship must apply to the department. The department shall prescribe the form of the application. The application must be filed after June 15 and before July 16 for a scholarship for the upcoming school year. The department shall make a determination whether an applicant has an eligible student within thirty (30) days after the application is filed. The amount of the scholarship for each eligible student who is enrolled in a school of choice that is a nonpublic school is the lesser of:
  - (1) the cost of tuition, textbooks, and other mandatory fees, not including fees for extracurricular activities, charged by the school of choice for the eligible student; or
  - (2) the sum of the average state tuition support, excluding all categorical grants, per ADM with respect to the public school









in which the dependent is eligible for enrollment;

for the school year for which the scholarship applies. The department shall provide the full scholarship amount by paying equal installments to the school of choice at the same times the department makes a tuition support distribution to the public school in which the eligible student has legal settlement. If an eligible student withdraws from a school of choice, the school of choice shall notify the department within ten (10) days. The department shall thereafter terminate payments to the school of choice for that student.

- (h) To receive a scholarship distribution, a school of choice must agree with the department to do the following:
  - (1) Determine before enrolling any potential scholarship students the specific number of scholarship students that will be admitted, and, if applicants under the program exceed the determined number of spaces available at any particular grade level, priority shall be given to a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is not who more than one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) of the federal income poverty level using the poverty guidelines updated periodically by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2). If applicants under the program still exceed the determined number of spaces available at any particular grade level, the school of choice shall conduct a random selection process to determine those students that are admitted to that grade level. Exceptions to this random selection may be made to accommodate siblings of students who are already enrolled or selected for enrollment in the school.
  - (2) Not charge any tuition or other fees in excess of the scholarship amount.
  - (3) Not charge any tuition or other fees under the scholarship program that exceed the standard rates charged to other students who pay tuition to enroll in the school.
  - (4) Not refund, rebate, or share a student's scholarship with a parent or the student in any manner.
  - (5) Use a student's scholarship only for educational purposes.
  - (6) Provide regular academic progress reports to the parents of students enrolled under the scholarship program.
- (i) Notwithstanding the state tuition support formula and laws governing the counting of pupils in ADM, an eligible student who:









- (1) is enrolled in a school of choice that is a public school; and
- (2) is not already being counted in ADM of the school corporation in which the dependent has legal settlement;

shall, for purposes of calculating tuition support distributions, be counted as a full additional ADM of the school corporation in which the public school of choice is located after otherwise computing the ADM of that school corporation under the state tuition support formula.

- (j) This section applies to a school corporation for purposes of calculating tuition support distributions regardless of how the scholarship student might otherwise be treated under the school funding formula.
- (k) An amount sufficient to provide scholarships and grants under this section shall be paid from the state general fund.".

Page 9, line 18, after "settlement." insert "However, the property owned in the school corporation other than the school corporation in which the student has legal settlement must not be owned primarily for the purpose of gaining access to the school corporation. In determining whether property is owned primarily for the purpose of gaining access to the school corporation, the following criteria shall be used:

- (1) The property must be held at least one (1) year before the beginning of a school year in which the student enrolls in the school corporation.
- (2) The property must be zoned for residential or commercial use.".

Page 9, line 28, delete "IC 20-8.1-16" and insert "IC 20-26-11.5". Page 9, line 31, delete "16." and insert "11.5.".

Page 9, line 40, delete "IC 20-10.1-1-2." and insert "IC 20-18-2-15.".

Page 10, line 26, after "reasons." insert "However, a decision to allow a student to enroll in a school corporation in which the student does not have legal settlement is not considered a determination that the student did not enroll primarily for athletic reasons.".

Page 10, line 38, delete "IC 20-8.1-6.5-1." and insert "IC 20-26-11-19.".

Page 10, line 40, delete "IC 20-8.1-2" and insert "IC 20-33-1".

Page 11, line 21, delete "IC 20-1-6-18.1" and insert "IC 20-35-8-1".

Page 11, line 22, delete IC 20-1-6-18.1." and insert "IC 20-35-8-1.".

Page 12, line 4, delete "IC 20-1-6-18.2," and insert "IC 20-35-8-2,".

Page 12, line 28, delete "IC 20-10.2," and insert "IC 20-31,".







Page 12, line 35, delete "IC 20-10.2-6-5" and insert "IC 20-31-9-5". Page 13, line 2, delete "IC 20-8.1-16." and insert "IC 20-26-11.5.". Page 13, between lines 14 through 15, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 10. IC 20-26-11-30 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: Sec. 30. (a) The governing body of a school corporation may enter into an interlocal agreement under IC 36-1-7 with the governing body of another school corporation under which a student whose legal settlement is in the school corporation may attend school in the other school corporation.

- (b) If a student attends school in another school corporation under an interlocal agreement described in subsection (a):
  - (1) the provisions of this chapter concerning transfer tuition do not apply; and
  - (2) the terms of the interlocal agreement concerning the payment of costs for the student's attendance apply.

SECTION 3. IC 20-26-11-31 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005]: **Sec. 31. (a) This section applies to a student:** 

- (1) who has legal settlement in a school corporation; and
- (2) whose parent owns property for which the parent pays property taxes in a school corporation other than the school corporation in which the student has legal settlement.
- (b) Not later than April 1, the parent of a student to whom this section applies may notify the school corporation in which the parent owns property that the parent intends to enroll the student in the school corporation in which the parent owns property for the following school year.
- (c) A school corporation that receives notice under subsection (b):
  - (1) shall enroll the student in an appropriate school within the school corporation; and
  - (2) may not request the payment of transfer tuition for the student from the school corporation in which the student has legal settlement or from the student's parent.
- (d) A student to whom this section applies may not enroll primarily for athletic reasons in a school in a school corporation in which the student does not have legal settlement. However, a decision to allow a student to enroll in a school corporation in which the student does not have legal settlement is not considered









a determination that the student did not enroll primarily for athletic reasons.".

Page 13, line 17, delete "IC 20-1-1.1-2." and insert "IC **20-19-3-1.**". Page 13, line 19, delete "IC 20-10.1-2-1." and insert "IC **20-18-2-17.**".

Page 13, line 20, delete "IC 20-8.1-16," and insert "IC 20-26-11.5,". Page 13, after line 22, begin a new paragraph and insert:

SECTION 11. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2005] IC 20-8.1-6.1-3, as amended by this act, and IC 20-8.1-6.1-3.1, as added by this act, apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2005.".

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 281 as reprinted February 23, 2005.)

BEHNING, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 6, nays 4.

#### HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Engrossed Senate Bill 281 be amended to read as follows:

Page 14, line 21, delete "and, if" and insert "and accept all applicants if the number of applicants is not greater than the determined number of spaces. If".

(Reference is to ESB 281 as printed March 30, 2005.)

**BEHNING** 

#### **HOUSE MOTION**

Mr. Speaker: I move that Engrossed Senate Bill 281 be amended to read as follows:

Page 12, line 42, delete "accrediting body;" and insert "or regional accreditation agency that is approved by the board under IC 20-31-4-2(a)(2);".

(Reference is to ESB 281 as printed March 30, 2005.)

ES 281—LS 7454/DI 109+

**BEHNING** 











#### **HOUSE MOTION**

Mr. Speaker: I move that Engrossed Senate Bill 281 be amended to read as follows:

Page 8, line 24 after "(e)" delete "A" and insert "Except as provided in subsection (f), a".

Page 9, delete lines 27-41 and insert "the taxpayer is not entitled to a credit.".

Page 10, line 2, after "section." insert "The credit amount under this subsection with respect to a dependent is reduced by any credit amount with respect to other dependents under subsection (f).".

Page 10, between lines 2 and 3, begin a new paragraph and insert:

- "(f) A taxpayer making a payment with respect to a dependent under this section for the school year ending in 2005 is entitled to a credit against the adjusted gross income tax imposed by IC 6-3 for taxable years beginning with 2008. The credit to which the taxpayer is entitled is the lesser of the tuition paid under this section or the following:
  - (1) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is not more than one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of the following amounts:
    - (A) per student:

| Taxable Year Ending In | Amount  |
|------------------------|---------|
| 2008 and 2009          | \$1,000 |
| 2010 and 2011          | \$1,500 |
| 2012 and 2013          | \$2,000 |
| 2014 and 2015          | \$2,500 |
| 2016 and thereafter    | \$3,000 |

(B) per taxpayer:

**Taxable Year Ending InAmount** 

2008 and 2009\$2,000

2010 and 2011\$3,000

2012 and 2013\$4,000

2014 and 2015\$5,000

2016 and thereafter\$6,000

- (2) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is more than one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) but not more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of following amounts:
  - (A) per student:

**Taxable Year Ending InAmount** 

ES 281-LS 7454/DI 109+











2008 and 2009\$0 2010 and 2011\$500 2012 and 2013\$1,000 2014 and 2015\$1,500 2016and thereafter\$2,000

(B) per taxpayer:

Taxable Year Ending InAmount 2008 and 2009\$0 2010 and 2011\$1,000 2012 and 2013\$2,000 2014 and 2015\$3,000 2016 and thereafter\$4,000

(3) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the taxpayer is not entitled to a credit."

Page 10, line 25 after "(b)" delete "A" and insert "Except as provided in subsection (c), a".

Page 11, delete lines 28 through 42 and insert "the taxpayer is not entitled to a credit.".

Page 12, line 3, after "dependents" insert "subsection (b) or".

Page 12, between lines 3 and 4, begin a new paragraph and insert:

- "(f) A taxpayer making a payment with respect to a dependent under this section with respect to a dependent who is not enrolled in a public school in 2004-2005 but who is eligible for enrollment in a public school in 2004-2005 is entitled to a credit against the adjusted gross income tax imposed by IC 6-3 for taxable years beginning with 2008. The credit to which the taxpayer is entitled is the lesser of the tuition paid under this section or the following:
  - (1) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is not more than one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of the following amounts:
    - (A) per student:

Taxable Year Ending InAmount 2008 and 2009\$1,000 2010 and 2011\$1,500 2012 and 2013\$2,000 2014 and 2015\$2,500 2016 and thereafter\$3,000

(B) per taxpayer:

**Taxable Year Ending InAmount** 

ES 281—LS 7454/DI 109+









2008 and 2009\$2,000 2010 and 2011\$3,000 2012 and 2013\$4,000 2014 and 2015\$5,000 2016 and thereafter\$6,000

(2) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is more than one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) but not more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the lesser of following amounts:

(A) per student:

Taxable Year Ending InAmount 2008 and 2009\$0 2010 and 2011\$500 2012 and 2013\$1,000 2014 and 2015\$1,500

2016and thereafter \$2,000

(B) per taxpayer:

Taxable Year Ending InAmount

2008 and 2009\$0

2010 and 2011\$1,000

2012 and 2013\$2,000

2014 and 2015\$3,000

2016 and thereafter \$4,000

(3) For a student who is a member of a household with an annual household income that is more than three hundred fifty percent (350%) of the federal income poverty level, the taxpayer is not entitled to a credit."

(Reference is to ESB 281 as printed MArch 30, 2005.)

**BEHNING** 

# HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Senate Bill 281 be amended to read as follows:

Page 7, delete lines 21 through 24.

Page 9, delete line 42.

Page 10, delete lines 1 through 2.

Page 12, delete lines 30 through 42.

Delete pages 13 through 14.

ES 281—LS 7454/DI 109+









Page 15, delete lines 1 through 20. Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to ESB 281 as printed March 30, 2005.)

HINKLE

0

p

y

